



U.S. Department of Transportation
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Office of Pipeline Safety
Community Assistance and Technical Services (CATS) Program

Pipeline Safety Regulatory Fact Sheet: District of Columbia

The federal government establishes minimum pipeline safety standards (under Title 49 CFR Part 190 – 199) and has overall regulatory responsibility for all hazardous liquid and gas pipelines in the United States. Pipelines are regulated by the Office of Pipeline Safety, within the Research and Special Programs Administration of the Department of Transportation. Pertinent regulations can be found at <http://ops.dot.gov/>.

The Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) is headquartered in Washington, DC, and supported through five regional offices located in Denver, Houston, Kansas City, Atlanta and Washington, DC. OPS Regional Directors, Pipeline Inspectors, State Liaisons, and Community Assistance and Technical Services (CATS) managers operate from each of the five OPS regional offices.

CATS managers are available to assist the public, the media and state or local officials with inquiries concerning pipeline safety-related issues.

The OPS regulates and inspects the interstate gas pipeline operators in the District of Columbia. The OPS also regulates and inspects the hazardous liquid intrastate and interstate operators in the District of Columbia.

Through certification by OPS, the District of Columbia regulates and inspects the gas intrastate operator in the District of Columbia. This work is performed by the District of Columbia Public Service Commission.

District of Columbia state regulations can be found at: <http://www.dcpssc.org/ps/ps.html>.

Here is contact information pertaining to pipelines in the District of Columbia:

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